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SENATE MEMORIAL 1001

A MEMORIAL

URGING THE CONGRESS AND PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO ENACT THE
COLLEGIATE HOUSING AND INFRASTRUCTURE ACT.

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1 To the Congress and President of the United States:

2 Your memorialist respectfully represents:

3 Whereas, colleges and universities nationwide are experiencing severe
4 housing shortages due to increasing student enrollment; and

5 Whereas, dormitory rooms are filled to capacity, requiring colleges and
6 universities to employ such creative housing measures as placing students in
7 student lounges and study rooms, converting two-student rooms into
8 three-student rooms and housing students in nearby hotels; and

9 Whereas, quality collegiate housing options will become an even greater
10 challenge if current predictions, that postsecondary enrollment will increase
11 fifteen per cent between 1999 and 2011, hold true; and

12 Whereas, fraternities and sororities greatly help alleviate the housing
13 burden of colleges and universities by housing 250,000 students each year.
14 Yet fraternal housing faces several unique challenges in accommodating
15 student populations, particularly the lack of funds to install badly needed
16 safety upgrades; and

17 Whereas, the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act (S. 1246/H.R.
18 1523), introduced in April 2003, would allow tax-deductible charitable
19 contributions to fraternity and sorority foundations to be used to add such
20 fraternal housing improvements as fire sprinklers, new roofing and security
21 equipment, along with other infrastructure improvements. The passage of this
22 important legislation would allow fraternal educational foundations to use
23 tax-deductible charitable contributions to make the same student
24 infrastructure improvements that colleges and universities currently can make
25 with tax-deductible funds; and

26 Whereas, the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act is critical to
27 ensuring the long-term availability and safety of collegiate and university
28 housing nationwide.

29 Wherefore your memorialist, the Senate of the State of Arizona, prays:

30 1. That the Congress and President of the United States take immediate
31 steps to ensure the passage and enactment of the Collegiate Housing and
32 Infrastructure Act.

33 2. That the Secretary of State of the State of Arizona transmit copies
34 of this Memorial to the President of the United States, the President of the
35 United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of
36 Representatives and each Member of Congress from the State of Arizona.

PASSED BY THE SENATE FEBRUARY 10, 2005.

FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE ON FEBRUARY 10, 2005.

Passed the Senate February 10, 20 05,

by the following vote: 17 Ayes,

10 Nays, 3 Not Voting

Kellie Blumett

President of the Senate

Charmine B. Bunting

Secretary of the Senate

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT OF ARIZONA
OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE

This Bill was received by the Secretary of State

this 10th day of February, 20 05,

at 8:23 o'clock A. M.

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Jennifer L. Brewer

Secretary of State